

**WinnebagoLand Continuum of Care**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024**  
**Fond du Lac Public Library - McLane Room and Teams**  
**9:00 am - 10:30 am**

**Attendees:** Jody Fellers, Shaundra Machtan, Nick Teifke, Mike Bohner, Karen Delong, Yolanda Suess, Denise Holz, Becky Heldt, Nancy Vue, Deanna Kloster, Adam Groskruitz, Lu Scheer, Amy Loof, Marisa Pentek, Erica Olson, Stephanie Kaiser, Greta Schumacher, Scott Schneur, Sara Brown, Peg Spindler, Clarissa Dehling, Lori Burgess, Lindsey Erickson, Stephanie Van Hulst, Amy Lang, Sara Komicki, John Neiman, Karen Winkel Dishong, Justin Mitchell,

Meeting was called to order by Becky Heldt at 9:00am. Attendance was taken by Denise Holz. A motion to accept the June agenda was made by Lu Scheer; seconded by Amy Lang. A motion to accept the April minutes was made by Amy Lang seconded by Sara Brown.

### **Meeting Minutes**

**Director / BOSCO Report:** The HAP process approved half for subsidies and the other half up for bid. There is expected to be an interest in tribes joining the coalition.

**Delegate Report:** Amy Lang; the action plan driving to change the scoring elements for BOS, WHEDA funding will open in June, EHH / ESG funding will be switching from every year to every other year, also the PIT count is coming up July 24, 2024, PIT trainings are beginning.

**Coordinated Entry Update:** Numbers are higher than at the last meeting. There are multiple lists, and numbers will now reflect HELP numbers of 460 households. Most recently, 139 households with children, 257 without children, and 98 are waiting for services on the prevention list, which does not break down those with and without children.

**Action Plan:** The coalition is working to bring in individuals with lived experience

**Reminder to Voting Members:** Please respond to voting emails within 24 hours if possible. They are only sent if a response is needed urgently. Non-urgent matters will be addressed at the next meeting.

**Community Reaction to Encampment:** Erica Olson updated the coalition about the press conference that Esther held outside of the Orin King building earlier this month; 50 people in attendance, 4 news channels. After those experiencing homelessness were told to move along from the Orin King building, First Presbyterian, 110 Church Ave, Oshkosh allowed individuals to set up tents for the rainy weather coming ahead. After neighbors made numerous calls to OPD, police and the city determined that the church was not zoned for a campground and individuals were moved along again. Orin King and Esther remain in a stalemate; individuals ordered to be at least 25ft away from the King building during business hours, still allowed to sleep there nightly.

If anyone has thoughts/solutions to offer on these issues, please send along to appropriate parties.

**Spotlight Agency:** Commonwealth Companies, Justin, David, and Sam presented on The Corridor, a mixed-use development site to be located at 656 N. Main St, Oshkosh WI 54901. The site will offer 55 units in three buildings; 2 – 8-unit townhomes and 39 apartment units. Other amenities include; childcare (530a – 1130p), playground, fitness center, common outdoor/indoor areas and more... Total cost estimated \$19.2 million, beginning construction Dec 2024 estimated completion summer of 2026. The presentation was filled with more details and sent out after the meeting.

Stephanie Van Hulst from HMIS, presented DEI disparity information. The presentation was also sent out after the meeting.

## **Sub Committee Updates:**

**Criminalization of Homelessness Statements:** There has been an uptick in the number of policies that threaten to criminalize homelessness. Each coalition must have a policy against the criminalization of homelessness in their action plan as it is required for monitoring.

Oshkosh Public Library was mentioned; they have recently changed policies, the coalition discussed having OPL in an upcoming meeting to present.

Fond du Lac locals stated that FDL Public Library has been a recent source of complaints for the Co as they recently changed policies. The library is encouraging individuals to find another place to just “hang out”.

**Secretary Recruitment:** The Housing Coalition is still actively seeking a replacement secretary.

**Upcoming Meeting(s);** next meeting will be held in August at the Oshkosh Public Library

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned

*Minutes Submitted by Denise Holz*